



NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
5217 North Trenholm Road Property Site
5217 North Trenholm Road, Forest Acres, South Carolina

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through April 4, 2013.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 13-6152-NRP, will affect approximately 0.2 acres identified by tax map number R14013-02-25. The City of Forest Acres (Forest Acres) wants to buy the property from its current owners. This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and Forest Acres.

The property has been used as a driveway and parking lot for adjacent buildings. General location uses around the property include a dry cleaner facility to the north, North Trenholm Road to the east, and commercial property to the south and west.

Forest Acres intends to use the Property for a parking lot. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, DHEC will allow Forest Acres to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution. Forest Acres did not create the pollution, but will take steps to control it to keep the property safe for re-use.

DHEC will not hold Forest Acres responsible for the pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under State law, Forest Acres will not be responsible if anyone is affected by the contamination. Entering into this contract does not reduce the responsibility of any former owners or operators of the site.

Under the proposed contract, Forest Acres will test soil and groundwater from the property. If significant contamination is found, Forest Acres will be required to take additional steps to protect human health and the environment.

DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to keep Brownfield sites in productive reuse. The proposed contract is available at <http://www.scdhec.gov/environment/lwm/publicnotice.htm> . Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

Citizens may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through April 4, 2013. Questions or comments may be directed to Alex Fulmer, Telephone (803) 896-4057, email FulmerWA@dhec.sc.gov or TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to either individual at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.